

Deregulation? Today we have millions of laws, but few are enforced. Many are afraid to use "capital punishment", but how else can you insure that we will be "civilized"? How do you protect the young, the old, the weak, the crippled, etc., if you do not ELIMINATE the problems. INSTEAD OF GIVING A SMALL HANDFUL OF PEOPLE A LARGER PODIUM, why do you not insist that every news story be presented by at least 2 opposing viewpoints? Surely you cannot think we the people of the USA want to end up like the Iraqis, hearing only one man's view of the world. This can only result in lies and ignorance! I am now 62, and the first thing I do when I awake is turn on the radio and/or television, to be informed. But, with each passing year, it requires more and more diligence on my part to be informed. Television's nightly news, the local versions, have less and less hard news, and more feel good crap. I am not much interested in seeing the crap. I get 1 newspaper online and two delivered to my home. I can read all the special interest I want. When I get half an hour of local news on TV I want to see crime statistics and today's calls to the local police station. Our TV news does NOT reflect the pace of things at the local police station! I know we still have many gung-ho journalists, but they are being stifled. I want the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth. If you must allow them to give me their opinion, then I want more than one opinion on each and every story. Allowing a small handful of people to control all the information will guarantee a planet of slaves! And, if you've ever watched the old movies about "slaves" you know that eventually they organize, revolt, and the world is in utter chaos. Please, just give us our free press, free airwaves, etc., and do not allow a tiny handful of men with the most money to control all the information. We have already destroyed our economic system by making it attractive to ruin the credit ratings of most of our citizens, so we can charge them more! How crazy is that? When we go to K-Mart, I pay the same for toilet paper as Donald Trump and the homeless people. However, when I go to buy a home or a car, they can't decide how much it will cost me until after they have checked my background. Insane. Either I look like I will pay back or not. Allow them to refuse to lend money, but don't allow them to charge more for the loan if you got into a dispute with one of your credit cards! In 1980 only the mob charged more than 6% for a loan, today nearly everyone I work with is talking about the insanity of notices from their credit cards taking the interest rate from 23 to 24% Believe me, we the people are not nearly as stupid as you think we are, and the worse things get the more we are talking about it ... on coffee breaks, over the back fence, after church on Sunday morning. If a tiny group ends up with all the money and all the "stuff" none of us will be going to work anywhere, so where will they go to enjoy their money? Think this through. The "golden years" of the 1950s were the best time because nearly every Daddy was earning enough to comfortably take care of a family of four, and Mom could stay home and make a nourishing meal, and EVERYONE in the family showed up for dinner, and learned a lot by listening to Mom and Dad. We cannot be happy today or in the future, if we are in a position where each home must be supported by 3 employed workers! And remember, for each Dixie Chick or Susan Sarandon, there are millions of us who have differing opinions. We can tell the difference between things that are a matter of opinion, and things that are "right" or "wrong".

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